

Appl. No. 09/832,685
Amdt, dated 1/30/2004
Reply to Office Action of November 10, 2003

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 33-38, 40, 48-58, 60, and 61 are pending in the present application. None of the claims are being amended in the present response.

Allowable Subject Matter

The office action indicated that claims 33-38, 40, 48-58, and 60-61 contain allowable subject matter.

Double Patenting Rejections of the Claims

Claims 33-38, 40, 48-58, and 60-61 have been rejected as being obvious over the claims of U.S. Patent 5,894,228 under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting. A terminal disclaimer is being filed herewith to address the double patenting rejection.

Because no other grounds for rejecting the claims was cited in the last office action, applicant believes that all of the pending claims are now allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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